



Apiculture

This moderation report covers activities for the period April – June 2023.

Apiculture was a moderation focus area for Muka Tangata and between April and June 2023.

Since June 2022, **four new or revised programmes have been endorsed** by Muka Tangata for use in the Apiculture industry.

We called for **24 ākonga (learner) assessment samples** from **three providers** delivering standards in the industry. These were desk-based moderated.

The assessor verification rate for this period was 8%. This is much lower than the across-all-sector verification rate for this period (70%).

The main reason for the lower verification rate is the assessment material that was used had not been pre-moderated, and plagiarism. This result indicates an issue with the way providers are assessing learners, rather than the quality of the learner at the completion of the programme.

We will continue to connect with these providers over 2024 and each will be post-moderated against Apiculture unit standards where we are expecting better results.

Over this period, we have carried out onsite and online hui whakapūmau enhancement visits with two Apiculture providers to observe delivery and assessment of Apiculture standards.

Over the year we facilitated **22 professional development online seminars** for providers around best practice assessment, meeting programme endorsement considerations, and te ao Māori.